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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 30, 2007, thereby extending the date on which the period of response is set to expire from November 30, 2007 to December 30, 2007. Because December 30, 2007 falls on a Sunday, the request is effective for a carryover to December 31, 2007, the next business day.

Please charge PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895 in the amount of \$60 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit any over-payment to PTO Deposit Account No. 13-4895.

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